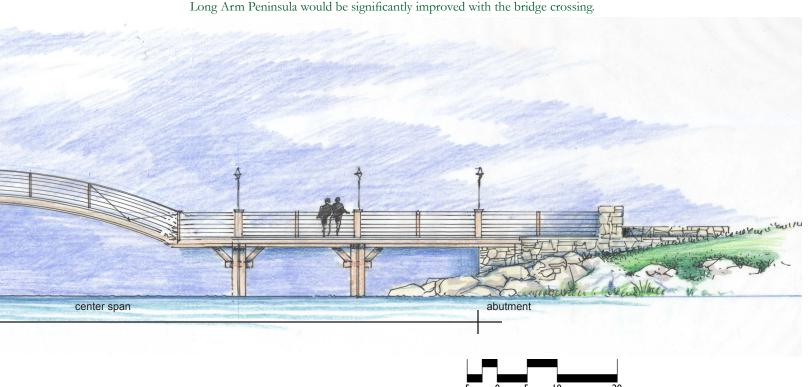
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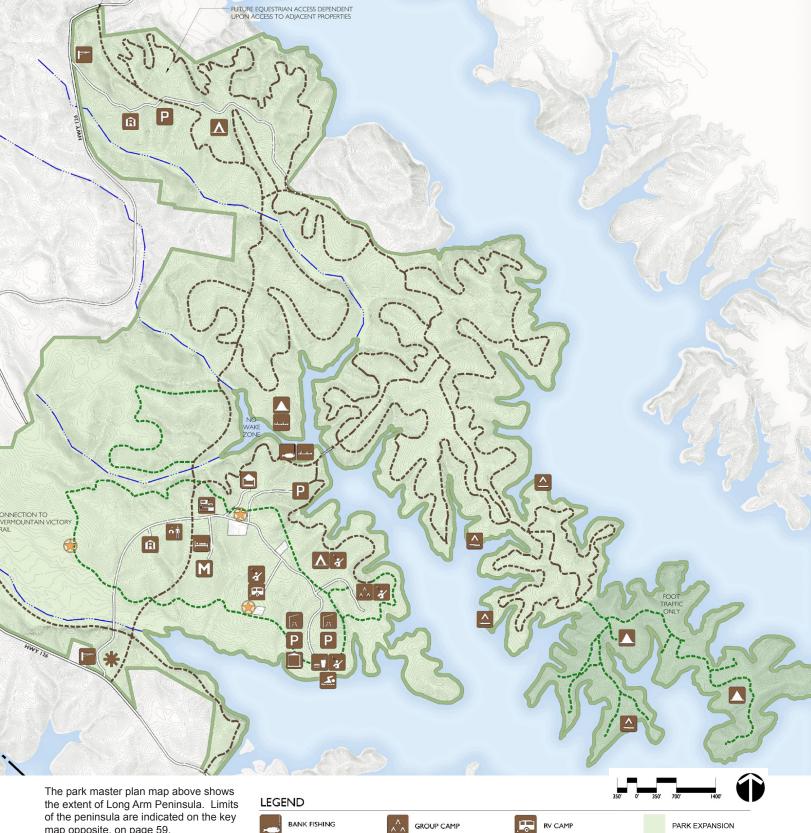
The Center Parcel area of the park will not be densely developed. A significant portion will be left undisturbed to provide a buffer along the western edge between the park land and private property east of Highway 126. The major trail through the Center Parcel will be a section of the proposed Lake James Trail that will run north-south connecting Paddy Creek Peninsula and Long Arm Peninsula. Two secondary trails will loop off this trail to the west. One trail will be hike-only and the other trail will be multi-use. Another trail loop to the east leads to the primitive camping area. The campsites are located on the point of land that splits the two fingers of the cove. These campsites are also accessible by canoe and kayak.

Across the cove from the primitive camping a bridge is proposed that will link Paddy Creek Peninsula and Long Arm Peninsula near the middle of the park. Located at the narrowest point between the two peninsulas, the Cove Bridge will need to span between 175 and 200 feet. The Cove Bridge will include a large open span across it's middle section. This will be necessary due to the water depth at the center of the channel, but more importantly, the middle section span will direct boat traffic for safe passage without the need to navigate between closely spaced pilings. The bridge will be one of the more memorable constructed features within the park.

It is recommended that in the cove west of the bridge a "No Wake" zone be established. Without restricting access to motorized boats, the no wake zone will create a safe environment for paddlers. The reduced boat speed will make passage beneath the bridge safer and will provide a quieter atmosphere within the cove. Approval of such a zone will have to be coordinated with appropriate regulatory agencies.

The connection the bridge provides will have a significant and positive impact on circulation within the park. The bridge would accommodate pedestrian and bicycle traffic as well as small service vehicles used by park staff. The bridge would provide the shortest route from the visitors center to the extensive trails on Long Arm. Service and emergency access to Long Arm Peninsula would be significantly improved with the bridge crossing.





of the peninsula are indicated on the key map opposite, on page 59.

